

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 472

By Haynes

A RESOLUTION To recognize Carrie Hargrove on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, It is most appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those exemplary legislative employees who have performed with consistent professionalism, uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Hargrove is one such person who has served with probity for 15 years with the Office of the Clerk of the Senate of the Tennessee General Assembly, first as a session journal clerk and later as a chamber clerk; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hargrove also served meritoriously with Senator Joe M. Haynes and in the office suite with Senator Jerry W. Cooper and Ms. Christina Hupp Barber; and

WHEREAS, As a clerk in the Senate Chamber, Carrie Hargrove has been a surrogate mother to the Senate bill clerks and pages, on occasion preparing succulent fried chicken for them, although in complete disregard for her peers she shamelessly was the first person to take refuge under her Senate chamber desk when the tornado hit Nashville; and

WHEREAS, She also considers herself to be a big fan of Vanderbilt athletics, even though she has been known to accompany her legislative friends to Knoxville who were gracious enough to invite her to see UT play; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Hargrove is especially appreciative of the love and support she shares with her husband, Harry, who jokingly views her retirement with mixed emotions as he fears that she will be "underfoot" at home; the Hargroves are the proud parents of daughters Kim and Christy; and

WHEREAS, Although the members and staff of the Senate will miss Carrie, we rejoice with her that she will have more time to spend with family and the ability to engage in those leisure activities that have gone undone; and

WHEREAS, Carrie has made many enduring friendships with the Senate members and staff through the years, including her good friend, the late Anne Beneke, who recently lost her courageous battle with cancer; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Hargrove exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family, community and her work family that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her career, Carrie's faithful and competent attention to her duties and concern for her co-workers and legislators in both the Senate and the House of Representatives have won the respect and admiration of her peers and superiors alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we extend to Carrie Hargrove our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.